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THE CAMBRIAN ASTRAY.

The Cambrian, which is a monthly magazine published in Utica, New York, and as its name implies, is for the special benefit of people of Welsh extraction, once in a while has something to say in reference to the "Mormon" Church. Some time ago we had occasion to cross swords with the Cambrian, and our side of the question was supported by some of our good Welsh friends, notably celebrated musicians, of whom the Principality has furnished a large and illustrious number. The Cambrian acted fairly with us, and so we are a little surprised to find in its January number a fling at "Mormonism," which appears to us gratuitous and unnecessary.

Our religion may be "a tangle" to the Cambrian, but it is nothing of the kind to those who understand it, and certainly not to the "Mormons" themselves, as asserted by that paper. It announces dogmatically that "the practice of sealing is pure folly." What it does not know about "sealing" would make a very large book. From other parts of that paper it is evident that it aims to be Christian. It quotes liberally from the sayings of the Savior. We therefore call its attention to the words of Christ in Matthew xvili: 18, also to Eph. 1; 13 and iv: 30.

The same passages will apply to the Cambrian's doctrine that "It requires omniscience to do business with the world to come." If that is correct, then all the prophets, apostles and divinely authorized servants of God in all the ages were either blessed with "omniscience," or they had no "business

with the world to come. That paper, referring to the testimony given by leading Elders of the "Mormon" Church, that although a revelation may be given from the Lord, yet it rests with each individual to exercise his own agency in obeying or disobeying it, remarks: "Such a testimony suggests the fact that the 'Mormon' Church is superior to God and dares do anything it has a mind to." The simple truth conveyed in that testimony appears to puzzle a good many other people and papers besides the Cambrian. That is for the want of a

little knowledge and a little reasoning.

Bible believers will surely not dispute the fact that God commanded Adam and Eve, "in the beginning," not to partake of the fruit of a certain tree, and that the commandment was accompanied by a penalty for disobedience; but did not our first parents choose to eat of that fruit? And did their disobedience suggest the fact that they were "superior to God?" When the Mosaic law was revealed from heaven, after all its details were enumerated to the Israelites, did not the servants of God from whom it came proclaim "Behold I set before ye this day good and evil;" and: "choose now whom ye will serve?" Is not the whole theory of rewards and punishments based on the doctrine of free agency? Do we not know in our own experience that we have power within ourselves to obey or reject law, human or divine? And will any sane person argue that because human beings daily disobey divine commandments this suggests they "are superior to God?"

No witness who has testlifed concern ing "Mormon" doctrine has asserted or intimated that the "Mormon" Church is "superior to God," or that failure to obey the Almighty nullifles or weakens in any degree the obligation that comes with the decrees of Delty. A law of God remains divine and supreme, no matter who rejects it or fails to observe it. There is a law against Sabbath breaking. In many places the divine command is embodied in human law. Yet the majority of people in what are called "Christian" countries habitually set it at naught. Does that suggest the Cambrian's notion that they "are superior to God." or that they imagine any such thing? Everybody should be obedient to heavenly mandates, and to earthly statutes, but the lawlessness which prevails, while it demonstrates the freedom of the creature, does not in any way lessen the supremacy of God's commands or the rightfulness of the human ordinances

that are thus violated. The Cambrian indulges in some state-

icious desire to misrepresent its doc- | tion against obstructionists. trines and also the people who have men and women, splendid music, literature and art have been belittled and the interests of the public. derided, and robbed of their true value to the world by writers and lecturers. who either knew little of their subject, or desired to misrepresent an ancient and honorable race. Therefore, the editor of a Cambrian paper should be among the last to attack a religion and

a people with whom he is not familiar. On any of the real questions at issue between "Mormonism" and the orthodox theories of the times we are willing to take a tilt with our Welsh adversary, but we do not desire to give any serious attention to the nonsense which is so frequently put forward in public prints purporting to be "Mormonism."

THE ARIZONA SPEAKERSHIP.

A short time ago the Tucson, Arizona, Star contained an attack on Hon, W. T. Webb who was then being put forwurd for Speaker of the Arizona House of Representatives. The Star fought him vigorously because of his membership in the "Mormon" Church and made some invidious remarks in that connection. These were gleefully copied and amplified by the Utah anti-"Mormon" sheet and, of course, the consequence was that Mr. Webb was elected Speaker, for it only needs the opposition and abuse of the vituperative organ aforesaid to recommend a candidate and help his cause. As to the qualifications of the gentleman for the position to which he has been chosen, we notice some comments in Arizona papers which we are pleased to copy, The Tucson Citizen has this to say:

"The Arizona Star wants to know why Neville of Cochise, Timmons, of Yuma, or Hull of Yavapai, was not elected Speaker of the Arizona House Representatives instead of W. T.

It ought to be easy to answer this Webb apparently had more friends than the gentleman named. The man with the most friends in a caucus or convention generally gets away with the spoils or the laurels.

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"Mr. Webb has heretofore served in the Legislature. He is a man of ability. He understand parliamentary law and procedure. It is not the custom in a Democratic caucus to make inquiry regarding a man's religion or lack of religion. It is the custom to inquire into a man's party record and mental capacity and if these are deemed satisfactory his eligibility is established.

ed satisfactory his eligibility is established.

"Mr. Webb is a fighting Democrat. He has never sulked in his tent when the Republicans were abroad seeking whom they might devour. He carries sundry Republican scalps in his beit. He has struck many a hard and effective blow for the Democratic party. These are the reasons why Mr. Webb was honored with the Speakership.

"When the Arizona Star seeks to convey the impression that Mr. Webb's connection with the Mormon Church had something to do with his election as Speaker, it is plainly dishonest, Its dishonesty and misrepresentation, however, are not for home consumption. The Star is the authorized Arizona agent of Beveridge, Nelson, Depew & Co., and its 'Mormon domination' bogey was invented for the purpose of inco. and its Mormon domination bo-gey was invented for the purpose of in-juring Arizona in the councils of the nation. The Star cannot deceive any-one hereabouts, but its papable in-civism may be injurious where it is not known.

The Bisbee Daily Review editorially compliments the Speaker and pays its respects to the Star in this way:

"The Review is especially pleased to announce the election of Hon. W. T. Webb, of Graham county, to be Speak-er of the House. We took no stock in the howl that went up on the part of some so-called Democratic papers, against the election of Webb for the eason that he was a member of the Church of Latter-day Saints. The ef-fort to raise the Mormon bugaboo in Arizona fell flat, and for good reason The Mormons in Arizona have never showed any desire to dominate affairs in this territory, either politically or re-ligiously. In the Democratic party they have, as individuals, invariably supported the Democratic nominees, tle in Arizona would have been lost if It had not been for these good Demo-crats who saved the day. The Mor-mon people of Arizona have been known nion people of Arizona have been known for their industry and honesty; as the builders of churches and schoolhouses, and the upholding of the law. As a religious sect they have a right to worship as their own conscience dictates. Laying aside Church matters and looking at the spekership from a political standpoint, the election of Webb, of Graham county, will reflect Webb, of Graham county, will reflect credit upon the party before the Twenty-third Legislature has become a thing of the past. He possesses the ability and the determination and the ution to legislate in the interests

The Review expresses the general sentiment of the people of Arizona concerning the "Mormon" colonies of that growing Territory, and thus furnishes a sufficient reply to the notion sought to be set affoat that the "Mormons" are not now wanted in the States and Territories surrounding Utah.

SHOULD PASS IMMEDIATELY.

A legislative measure is now before the House, which should be passed without much delay, as we suppose it will be, having already obtained the approval of the Senate. It proposes an amendment to the section of the Revised Statutes of Utah relating to the uses for which the right of eminent domain may be exercised. It enumerates the kinds of property that may be taken for the use of the public, and adds to the list already established by law, "all water, waters, water sources, water courses, creeks, springs, and wells, and the water issuing therefrom," etc. Its adoption is a public necessity, and it will be even more so, as the settlements of Utah grow with a steadily increasing

Salt Lake City is about to undertake the important work of increasing its water supply. Other cities, as they expand, will be under the necessity of planning in a similar manner for a greater supply of the vital fluid. But that kind of work necessarily means that private water rights, h some instances, must be taken for pubic use. As a matter of protection for the public, the law must be clear conugh to make litigation unnecessary. It must give the communities power to appropriate the water right needed, at its real value. It must deprive the narrow-minded, greedy individual of ments which show that it is either the power to block public improvedensely ignorant of "Mormonism," on ments, by demanding an exorbitant

which it attempts to treat, or has a price. It is a measure of self-protec-

We hope the members of the House embraced them. We remind the Cam- will take a broadminded view of the brian that it has been a matter of com- subject, and vote with an eye to the plaint among Welsh people that their public welfare. The interests of the country, language, customs, eminent individuals are, after all, best taken care of by a careful consideration of

A DISCOVERY IN AFRICA.

The details of an exceedingly interesting discovery in German East Africa are given in the Munich Allgemeine Zeitung, a condensed account of which is found in Literary Digest of Jan. 21.

According to this account, Captain Merker, of the colonial troops, has been studying the character and traditions of the Masai people, and arrived at the conclusion that this peculiar African race must be of Semitic origin. and consequently the near kin of the Hebrews and Arabs. He also believes that they separated themselves from the rest of the race, as early as perhaps 4,000 B. C.

He bases his conclusions on several facts. Their religion, he says, is, in contrast with that of the negro tribes, pure monotheism. Their God is called 'Ng af and is represented as a bodily being. The Masai are not allowed to make any image of their supreme being. They regard themselves as the chosen people of God, and believe that all other peoples are to be subject to them. After death a protecting angel, who accompanies every Masai, takes the departed soul into the land of the clouds. At the gates of this country 'Ng at determines what the fate of the soul shall be. The good are admitted to paradise, but evil men are driven into a dreary desert.

Captain Merker found that this people had traditions of the creation, the fall of man, and the deluge, which they could not have derived from the Hebrew Scriptures. According to their ideas, the world was originally a void and dreary desert in which a dragon did as he pleased. God descended from heaven and fought the dragon and conquered him through his blood, which became water, by which the dry desert was watered and made fruitful. There where the contest had taken place Paradise was established. Then G d created merely by the word of His command, the sun, the moon, the stars, the plants, the animals, and, last of all, the first human couple. The man He gent from heaven, but the woman, at the command of God, came forth from the earth. In Paradise, where they both lived, they were without care. 'Ng ai permitted them to eat of all of the fruit of the garden; but the fruit of a single tree they were not to touch. God frequently paid a visit to the first pair. One day He did not find them at once and finally discovered them hiding amid the bushes. When questioned the man finally confessed that they were ashamed because they had eaten of the forbidden fruit, saying that the woman had been the first to do so. The latter in turn blamed the threeheaded serpent. In anger 'Ng ai banished the man and woman from Paradise, and sent the morning-star to protect the garden against them. The traditions of the Masai tell also of a set their forefathers from the mountains. According to them, among the com-

mands are the following: "There is but one God. He has sent [an angel is represented as speakme [an angel is represented as speaking]. You have so far called Him
E'majan (the one that forgives) or
E'magelam (the Almighty); but now
you shall call Him 'Ng al. Ye shall
make no image of 'Ng al. If you follow His commands it will be well with
you; if not, He will punish you with
famine and pestilence."

The explorer discusses several theories to account for the origin of the people with these interesting traditions, and comes, as already stated, to the conclusion that they are of Semitic stock, and that these traditions go back to heary antiquity, when the Semites were all one people with one common creed. Masai, he says, have distinct recollections of a people called Amoroi and one called El-eberel, the former being identified by Merker with the Amorites and the latter with the He-

The latter word, El-Eberel, if of Semitic origin, would undoubtedly refer to a people "beyond" the sea, and suggests the question whether the discovery of this race in Africa does not strongly support the theory of August le Plongeon concerning the origin of civilization and the cradle of the human race. As is known by students of his works on American antiquities, he believes that the first human ancestors lived in this hemisphere; here the tragedy of Cain and Abel was enacted, and from here emigrants, even before the deluge, proceeded to East Africa, and then across that continent to the Nile alley, where the Sphinx was erected is a memorial to the murdered Abel. 'aptain Merker's 'discovery, would give support to this bold theory, which by the way, seems in harmony with the teachings of the Latter-day Saints encerning the place this country has had in the past dispensations of the Almighty. Africa has so far been as a sealed book to the world. As its mysterics are being unfolded, new light will no doubt be shed upon many important subjects.

The blood of the strikers is the seed of the revolution.

Does a strike in Warsaw mean ar uprising in Poland?

The sleighing and the slaying are oth good in Russia.

The twentieth century is losing no time in making history.

Has the President's railroad freight neasure been sidetracked?

Like a malignant cancer that has been cut out the strike in Russia keeps on spreading.

It begins to look as though General Kuropatkin were preparing for another

retirement. How use doth breed a habit. Here is Mr. Carnegie offering a library to a Montana town.

Washington proposes to establish the whipping post for wife beaters. Why not for the deadbeaters also?

Senator Depew says that the foreign itle chases the American girl. This necessary because riches have wings.

Judge Tayler might just as well have asserted that any man who believes in the Bible is disqualified to hold a seat in the Senate.

A Dubuque, Iowa, woman found a long lost and valuable necklace, which she prized, in the gizzard of a hen. It was a prize chicken.

There is this to be said in favor of the Kalser's suggestion that German and American universities exchange professors-exchange is no robbery.

Father Gopon has been excommunicated from the Russian church. He probably feels towards it much as Mariars did towards Rome after his

Speaker Cannon has taken up with the automobile craze. When the bicycle craze was all the go, "Uncle Joe" was one of the first to catch it. He is always up to date.

The cabinet has been discussing the lessons learned from the Russo-Japanese war. The conclusion reached seems to be that jiu-jitsu is the thing for the army and navy.

Congress having interested itself in the gypsy and brown-tail moths may yet be expected to take up the ground game bill and marriage with a deceased wife's sister question.

What a queer man ex-President Cleveland is! Here he is saying that the true guide of a nation, both in greatness and in glory, is Christianity, How old fashined and how antagonistic that is to up-to-date notions!

When Chief of Police Lynch says, The hoodlumism in and about the main streets of the city is beyond the reach and control of the police. The parents of those boys and girls who hang around the street are the ones to take up the question and handle it, and not us. We can do nothing until they actually break the laws," he speaks the plain truth. His words should be heeded.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

Pueblo Chieftain.

The United States has no quarrel with the Russian czar or with the Russian government, but our own experience, character and intelligence make the conclusion inevitable that Russia has outgrown the system that is now only an obstacle to her development and a fetter to her progress, and the world as a whole will be better when that political system is reformed by peaceful agitation or swept in fragments from the earth by the violence of revolu-

San Francisco Chronicle.

With actual revolution in St. Peterslook is certainly gloomy for a govern-ment which has shown no more ability in home affairs than in the prosecution of the war in the Orient.

Springfield Republican.

The strike of workingmen in St. Petersburg would not attract so much attention outside Russia at any other time; but now the fact that it is as much a political as an industrial demnstration excites exceptional interest n it. Compared with the great coal miners' strike now in progress in Ger-many, the St. Petersburg disturbance is thus far trivial, in an economic sence,

New York American.

No man can see when the end of this t will be. The fight for human liberty never ceases until it is won. Men hav-ing liberty may lose it for a time, but they win it back. Once the Slav was as free as you. But for six hundred years the Russian has known only slavery. The nations of the earth are too close together now for the present onditions in Russia to remain nament. It looks as if the hour the struggle against absolutism in Rus-

Boston Herald.

It is much more difficult in these days o start a revolution than it was a cen-ury ago, but if these obstacles are vercome, the revolutionary forces, when they once succeed in establishing their ascendency, are likely to set no limit to the extent to which they can, and will, develop their cause.

St. Paul Globe.

Nicholas has been pictured as a weak man, but the portrait handed lown to posterity will undoubtedly show him as an obstinate bigot. A worse man might today accomplish something for Russia. But this fatalist who sits upon the throne and who accepts as inevitable the attempts made to destroy him and his ministers, who wilfully refuses to see any deep significance in frequent acts of vio-lence, who is willing to threw all the responsibility on God and accept none for himself, is more of a stumbling block in the world's progress than an inscrupulous ruler would be.

to be working out in the same manner, despite the change which modern civ-ilization has caused in the outward con-

a year or a decade, is a short period of time in the life of a nation. Many things may happen before another winter

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